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Classified By: Ambassador Tatiana C. Gfoeller, Reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

[1](#)1. (S) Late on June 9, the Ambassador delivered to Foreign Minister Sarbayev a copy of Ref B letter from President Obama to President Bakiyev. Sarbayev was thrilled with the letter, saying it struck exactly the right tone with the right language. Sarbayev said he would share the letter with President Bakiyev and a small circle of colleagues that evening, and he asked that the Embassy convey the letter through official channels to the MFA on the afternoon of June [1](#)10. Sarbayev understood that the U.S. did not plan to release the text of the letter but had no objections if the Kyrgyz side publicly released the text.

[1](#)2. (S) Sarbayev expressed renewed confidence that his plan for rolling out the Manas agreements would work according to schedule, and he thanked the Ambassador for U.S. support for his plan and particularly for the letter from President Obama.

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